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INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO.  
PCT/JP98/03712

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21 August 1997 & 26 August 1997

TITLE OF INVENTION RECEIVER, PROGRAM RETRIEVAL METHOD, AND RECEIVING METHOD

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Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:

1. ☒ This is a **FIRST** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
2. ☐ This is a **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371
3. ☒ This express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)) at any time rather than delay examination until the expiration of the applicable time limit set in 35 U.S.C. 371(b) and PCT Articles 22 and 39(1).
4. ☐ A proper Demand for International Preliminary Examination was made by the 19th month from the earliest claimed priority date.
5. ☒ A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))
  - a. ☐ is transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).
  - b. ☒ has been transmitted by the International Bureau.
  - c. ☐ is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).
6. ☒ A translation of the International Application into English (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).
7. ☒ Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))
  - a. ☐ are transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).
  - b. ☐ have been transmitted by the International Bureau.
  - c. ☐ have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
  - d. ☒ have not been made and will not be made.
8. ☐ A translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).
9. ☒ An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).
10. ☐ A translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).

Items 11. to 16. below concern document(s) or information included:

11. ☒ An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. (with cited references)
12. ☐ An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.
13. ☐ A **FIRST** preliminary amendment.  
☐ A **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** preliminary amendment.
14. ☐ A substitute specification.
15. ☐ A change of power of attorney and/or address letter.
16. ☒ Other items or information:

Copy of Front Page of Published PCT Application (Publication No. WO 99/11059)  
Verification of Translation  
Copy of Request (in English)  
Twenty-three (23) Sheets of Formal Drawings

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**BASIC NATIONAL FEE (37 CFR 1.492 (a) (1) - (5)):**

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but international search fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) ..... \$760.00Neither international preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) nor  
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CLAIMS	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE
Total claims	10 - 20 =	0	X \$18.00
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1.137(a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the application to pending status.

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VERIFICATION OF TRANSLATION

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Sir:

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declares:

(1) that he knows well both the Japanese and English  
languages;

(2) that he translated the above-identified International  
Application from Japanese to English;

(3) that the attached English translation is a true and  
correct translation of the above-identified International  
application to the best of his knowledge and belief; and

(4) that all statements made of his own knowledge are  
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application or any patent issuing thereon.

April 12, 1999

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